

# Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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#### Military Strikes Continue Against Daesh Terrorists in Iraq and Syria

**SOUTHWEST ASIA** – Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners continue to strike Daesh targets in designated parts of Iraq and Syria.

Ongoing operations by Iraqi Security Forces and Syrian Democratic Forces, supported by CJTF-OIR efforts, demonstrate that work remains to defeat Daesh. Coalition strikes continue to target Daesh throughout Iraq under the leadership of Iraqi authorities. "All Coalition air strikes are carried out with the consent of the Iraqi government," said Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi in a press conference April 1, 2018.

Combined Joint Task Force - Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners continue to exert pressure on Daesh senior leaders and associates in order to degrade, disrupt and dismantle Daesh structures and remove terrorists throughout Iraq and Syria. This will prevent the terrorist group's ability to resurge and resume its intent to threaten and destabilize the international community.

### **Weekly Strike Summary**

Between April 27 and May 3, Coalition military forces conducted 27 strikes consisting of 35 engagements in Iraq and Syria.

On May 3 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets near Abu Kamal.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on May 3, 2018.

On May 2 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted four strikes consisting of four engagements against Daesh targets.

Near Abu Kamal, four strikes destroyed one Daesh storage facility.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on May 2, 2018.



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On May 1 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of five engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, four strikes damaged one Daesh-held building.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed two headquarters buildings.

On May 1 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted three strikes consisting of eight engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Al Huwayjah, two strikes destroyed 31 Daesh tunnel systems and six caves.
- Near Ar Rutbah, one strike destroyed one Daesh bunker.

On April 30 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 10 strikes consisting of 12 engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, six strikes engaged one Daesh tactical unit, destroyed one Daesh staging area, one tunnel and one HQ.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit.
- Near Al Shadaddi, three strikes engaged one Daesh tactical unit, destroyed one Daesh vehicle, two headquarters buildings and damaged three Daesh-held buildings.

On April 30 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of three engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Mosul, one strike destroyed one Daesh tunnel system.
- Near Ar Rutbah, one strike destroyed one Daesh fighting position.

On April 29 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of two engagements against Daesh targets.

- One strike took place near Dayr Az Zawr.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed one Daesh vehicle.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on April 29, 2018.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq or Syria on April 28, 2018.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq or Syria on April 27, 2018.

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This Coalition strike release contains all strikes conducted by fighter, attack, bomber, rotary-wing, or remotely piloted aircraft, rocket propelled artillery and ground-based tactical artillery.

A strike, as defined in the Coalition release, refers to one or more kinetic engagements that occur in roughly the same geographic location to produce a single, sometimes cumulative effect in that location. For example, a single aircraft delivering a single weapon against a lone Daesh vehicle is one strike, but so is multiple aircraft delivering dozens of weapons against a group of Daesh-held buildings and weapon systems in a compound, having the cumulative effect of making that facility harder or impossible to use. Strike assessments are based on initial reports and may be refined.

CJTF-OIR does not report the number or type of aircraft employed in a strike, the number of munitions dropped in each strike, or the number of individual munition impact points against a target. The information used to compile the daily strike releases is based on 'Z' or Greenwich Mean Time.

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